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## SPACE SCIENCE BOARD

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Dr. Joshua Lederberg Genetics Department School of Medicine Stanford University Stanford, California 94305

Dear Dr. Lederberg:

We are revising the organization and structure of the Space Science Board to make it more representative of the tasks and duties which the Board performs, and to provide the regular rotation of advisory group membership which has become a stated policy of the National Academy of Sciences. Hence, it seems appropriate now to drop the designation of yourself and other persons who have for some time been associated with the Board as "Consultants" to the Board.

The Nation has surely benefited from the substantial efforts and wisdom you and your fellow Consultants have provided as former members of the Board in guiding our national space program. On behalf of the Board I wish to express our warm thanks and appreciation.

While the official title "Consultant" is being dropped, we hope that the Board may still on occasion enlist your assistance.

Sincerely,

Charles H. Townes

Chairman

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